

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) An integrated import/export system comprising:

a database ~~of records relating to~~ containing data related to a plurality of ~~shipments~~ shipping transactions,

each shipping transaction of said plurality of shipping transactions relating to a transfer of goods, where said goods are shipped between at least two jurisdictions,
each

with the data organized into records associated with each shipping transaction of said plurality of shipping transactions having,

where each record includes a primary key, where said primary key uniquely identifies said shipping transaction associated with said record,

where each record also includes data required to process a plurality of steps of said shipping transaction associated with said record

including data required to process a step of exporting of a product from a first jurisdiction and data required to process a step of importing of a said product to a second jurisdiction;

a database server ~~in communication with~~ hosting said database; and

an application server in communication with said database server for providing a user interface to ~~at least one client~~ any of a plurality of clients, each ~~said-client~~ associated with a member of a supply chain for a particular ~~one shipping transaction~~ of said plurality of

~~shipments of said goods shipping transactions~~, said interface allowing said at least one client to modify at least a portion of a record ~~relating to associated with~~ said particular ~~one of said plurality of shipments of said goods shipping transaction.~~

2. (currently amended) The integrated import/export system of claim 1 wherein said application server only allows said ~~at least one~~ client to modify said at least a portion of said record if said member associated with said ~~at least one~~ client has proper security authorization.
3. (original) The integrated import/export system of claim 1 further comprising an electronic data interchange server in communication with said database server.
4. (previously presented) The integrated import/export system of claim 3 wherein said electronic data interchange server allows said system to exchange information with databases and data repositories of said member of said supply chain.
5. (original) The integrated import/export system of claim 3 wherein said electronic data interchange server allows access to databases maintained by governments of said jurisdictions.
6. (original) The integrated import/export system of claim 1 further comprising a file transfer protocol server for enabling receipt and transmission of said records using the file transfer protocol.
7. (original) The integrated import/export system of claim 1 further comprising a hyper-text transfer protocol (HTTP) server for enabling receipt of a request for a page and transmission of said page to an origin of said request.
8. (currently amended) A method of operating an integrated import/export system comprising:
maintaining a database ~~of records relating to~~ containing data related to a plurality of ~~shipments shipping transactions,~~
each shipping transaction of said plurality of shipping transactions relating to a transfer of goods between at least two jurisdictions;

with the data organized into records associated with each shipping transaction of said plurality of shipping transactions,

where each record includes a primary key, where said primary key uniquely identifies said shipping transaction associated with said record,

where each record also includes data required to process a plurality of steps of said shipping transaction associated with said record

including data required to process a step of exporting of a product from a first jurisdiction and data required to process a step of importing of said product to a second jurisdiction;

providing an interface for accessing particular ones of said records in said database to a member of a supply chain for said particular ones of said plurality of ~~shipments of said goods~~ shipping transactions;

receiving, from said member, an instruction to modify one of said particular ones of said records relating to said particular one of said plurality of ~~shipments~~ shipping transactions;

determining whether said instruction to modify relates to a portion of said one of said records for which said member has modification authority; and

modifying said one of said records according to said instruction if said member has said modification authority.

9. (original) The method of claim 8 further comprising:

receiving a query for information stored in databases maintained by governments of said at least two jurisdictions;

responsive to receiving said query, accessing said databases maintained by said governments of said at least two jurisdictions to retrieve a result; and

presenting said result of said accessing to a source of said query.

10. (original) The method of claim 9 further comprising submitting documentation for entry into said databases maintained by said governments of said at least two jurisdictions.

11. (currently amended) The method of claim 9 further comprising querying said databases maintained by said governments of said at least two jurisdictions to determine a clearance status of a given ~~shipment of said plurality of shipments of said goods~~ shipping transaction.

12. (cancelled)

13. (currently amended) A computer readable medium containing computer-executable instructions which, when performed by a processor in an import/export system, cause the processor to:

~~maintain a database of records relating~~ containing data related to a plurality of shipments shipping transactions,

each shipping transaction of said plurality of shipping transactions relating to a transfer of goods between at least two jurisdictions;

with the data organized into records associated with each shipping transaction of said plurality of shipping transactions,

where each record includes a primary key, where said primary key uniquely identifies said shipping transaction associated with said record,

where each record also includes data required to process a plurality of steps of said shipping transaction associated with said record

including data required to process a step of exporting of a product from a first jurisdiction and data required to process a step of importing of said product to a second jurisdiction;

provide an interface for accessing particular ones of said records in said database to a member of a supply chain for said particular ones of said plurality of ~~shipments of said goods~~ shipping transactions;

receive, from said member, an instruction to modify a particular one of said records relating to said particular one of said plurality of ~~shipments~~ shipping transactions;

determine whether said instruction to modify relates to a portion of said one of said records for which said member has modification authority; and

modify said one of said records according to said instruction if said member has said modification authority.

14. (currently amended) A record editing system in communication with an integrated import/export system, said record editing system operable to:

display an interface to a member of a supply chain for a particular ~~shipment of goods~~ shipping transaction, said interface allowing interaction with a database ~~of records relating containing data related to said shipment of goods~~ a plurality of shipping transactions,

each shipping transaction of said plurality of shipping transactions relating to a transfer of goods between at least two jurisdictions;

with the data organized into records associated with each shipping transaction of said plurality of shipping transactions,

where each record includes a primary key, where said primary key uniquely identifies said shipping transaction associated with said record,

where each record also includes data required to process a plurality of steps of said shipping transaction associated with said record

including data required to process a step of exporting of a product from a first jurisdiction and data required to process a step of importing of said product to a second jurisdiction,

said database maintained at said integrated import/export system, where said goods are shipped between at least two jurisdictions;

receive, from said member, instructions to modify a record relating to said particular shipment of goods shipping transaction;

determine whether said instructions to modify relate to a portion of said one of said records for which said member has modification authority; and

modify said one of said records according to said instructions if said member has said modification authority.

15. (currently amended) A record editing system in communication with an integrated import/export system, said record editing system comprising:

an output means for displaying an interface to a member of a supply chain for a particular ~~shipment of goods~~ shipping transaction, said interface allowing interaction with a database ~~of records relating containing data related to said shipment of goods a plurality of shipping transactions,~~

each shipping transaction of said plurality of shipping transactions relating to a transfer of goods between at least two jurisdictions;

with the data organized into records associated with each shipping transaction of said plurality of shipping transactions,

where each record includes a primary key, where said primary key uniquely identifies said shipping transaction associated with said record,

where each record also includes data required to process a plurality of steps of said shipping transaction associated with said record

including data required to process a step of exporting of a product from a first jurisdiction and data required to process a step of importing of said product to a second jurisdiction,

said database maintained at said integrated import/export system, where said goods are shipped between at least two jurisdictions;

an input means for receiving, from said member, instructions to modify a record relating to said ~~shipment of goods~~ shipping transaction; and
a processing means adapted to:

determine whether said instructions to modify relate to a portion of said one of said records for which said member has modification authority; and

modify said one of said records according to said instructions if said member has said modification authority.

16-22. (canceled)